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Title: **ELECTRODE CATHETER FOR THE ELECTROTHERAPY OF CARDIAC
TISSUE**

RESPONSE TO 15 DECEMBER 2009 OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
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The Office Action of December 15, 2009 states that:

Applicant's election set forth that claim 19 reads upon elected species I; however, in the preliminary amendment filed May 30, 2006 adding claim 19, the claim was stated to find support in Figure 5b. Clarification is required.

Please note that the May 30, 2006 preliminary amendment, when adding claim 19, explicitly stated at Page 7 that the support in FIG. 5b is *exemplary* (i.e., support can be found elsewhere in the application as well):

New claim 19 finds support in (for example) Fig. 5b and the last paragraph of page 13

As then noted in at page 2 of the November 11, 2009 Response:

The matter of claims 15-20 is then seen in Figures 1-4 of Species I and in their related discussion, e.g., at pars. [0048]-[0049] and [0053] of corresponding US Publ'n. 2007/0100232.

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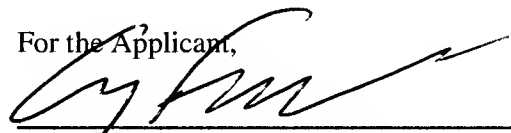
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In other words, the matter of claim 19 is found in Figures 1-4 as well. In particular, please refer to FIG. 1 and pars. [0048]-[0049] of corresponding US Publ'n. 2007/0100232 (noting FIG. 1's carbon fiber 44 crimped to metallic conductor 46 at crimp sleeve 48).

If any questions regarding the application arise, please contact the undersigned attorney. ***Telephone calls related to this application are welcomed and encouraged.*** The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments relating to this application to deposit account number 18-2055.

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